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Title: PROCESS FOR THE REMOVAL OF SULFUR COMPOUNDS FROM  
HYDROCARBON FEEDSTOCKS

**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT FOR FAILURE TO  
RECEIVE OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.181(a)**

Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

Petition is hereby taken to the Director from a Notice of Abandonment mailed March 17, 2009 for a matter to be determined directly by or reviewed by the Director and to invoke the supervisory authority of the Director to withdraw the holding of

abandonment. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed March 17, 2009 because a Reply to an Office Action mailed February 4, 2008 was never filed. Applicants acknowledge that a Reply to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2008 was never indeed filed. However, the Office Action mailed February 4, 2008 was mailed to an incorrect address (the address was NOT that of the assignee nor the agent of record). In this connection, neither Applicants nor Applicant's agent of record never received or had knowledge of the Office Action mailed February 4, 2008. Moreover, a search of the assignee's and agent of record's records, including the file jackets and the application contents indicates that the Office action was never received. It is believed that somehow a mistake was made at the USPTO in matching an address with the subject application.

A copy of the cover page of the Office Action mailed February 4, 2008 is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Mr. Davis is NOT the owner nor agent of record for the subject application, and Mr. Davis' address in Calgary, Canada is NOT the assignee's address nor the address of the agent of record. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is the Filing Receipt, indicating that Mr. Davis in Calgary, Canada is the correspondence address. Obviously, a mistake occurred at the USPTO in matching an address with the subject application. Consequently, neither the below-signed agent of record nor the assignee received the Office Action mailed February 4, 2008. Applicants therefore request that the USPTO send the Office Action originally mailed February 4, 2008 to the correct address for the subject application.

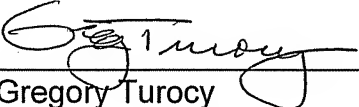
Legal support for the Petition/request exists in *Delgar v. Schulyer*, 172 USPQ 513 (D.D.C. 1971), where the court decided that the USPTO should mail a new Notice of Allowance in view of the evidence presented in support of the contention that the applicant's representative did not receive the original Notice of Allowance. Under the reasoning of *Delgar*, an allegation that an Office Action was never received may be considered in a Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment. The incorrect correspondence address and the above statement of non-receipt constitute an adequate showing to establish nonreceipt of the Office Action from the USPTO.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable resolution of this Petition, the Director or Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event any fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1063.

Respectfully submitted,

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# EXHIBIT A



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The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

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